**Proefschrift stellingen**

1. The addition of ribavirin to peginterferon treatment enhances and prolongs DC activation but is not sufficient to improve clinical response rates in chronic hepatitis B *(this thesis)*

2. IFN-lambda and HBsAg indirectly regulate NK cell function via macrophages *(this thesis)*

3. Monocytes and Kupffer cells are able to recognize and respond to HBsAg, the surface protein of HBV *(this thesis)*

4. Since HBV patients do not suffer from a constant cytokine storm induced by the virus and its components, it is likely that some form of immune regulation is in place in vivo *(this thesis)*

5. Production of cytokines among which some that are known to have an anti-viral effect on HBV does not necessarily yield an anti-viral effect *(this thesis)*

**Overige stellingen**

6. Nothing exists except atoms and empty space, everything else is opinion  
   - Democrites

7. It is better to be vaguely right than exactly wrong  
   - Carveth Read, 1898

8. The less we understand something, the more variables we require to explain it  
   - Rusell L. Ackoff, 1978

9. Kip is na alfalfa en champignons onze snelst groeiende groente  
   - Miquel Ekkenkamp, 2011

10. Hoe beter een technologie werkt, hoe minder je geneigd bent om het apparaat te leren doorgronden: het doet immers wat het behoort te doen  
    - Maurits Martijn, 2014

**Elfde stelling**

11. Weekends don’t count unless you spend them doing something completely pointless  
    - Calvin (Bill Watterson, The Complete Calvin and Hobbes)